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In re Patent Application of:
Francois Mignard

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For: PROCESS FOR THE CONTROLLED
OXIDATION OF A STRIP BEFORE
CONTINUOUS GALVANIZING, AND
GALVANIZING LINE

Examiner: L. L. Zheng

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.